

U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF
OFFICIAL CONDUCT

Washington, DC 20515

STATEMENT OF THE CHAIR AND RANKING REPUBLICAN MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT

In accordance with H. Res. 451, adopted on June 5, 2007, and extended in the 111th Congress by H. Res. 5, Section 4(e), the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct hereby submits the following report to the House of Representatives:

On April 2, 2009, the Committee convened for the purpose of considering the citation issued to Representative Zack Space March 28, 2009 in Washington County, Ohio for the minor misdemeanor charge of operating a motor vehicle without a valid license. The Committee voted against empanelling an investigative subcommittee regarding this matter. The Committee considered the alleged conduct involved, as well as Representative Space's public acknowledgement of his violation and his payment of the fine associated with the violation. The Committee concluded the violation to be a *de minimus* (minor) matter for which review by an Investigative Subcommittee is not required.